MAIN LIBRARY'S PROGRAMS & EVENTS | MARCH 2019



Main Library

202 Cedar St. Abilene, TX 79601 PH: 325-677-2474

Hours of Operation

Monday 9AM-9PM
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South Branch

4310 Buffalo Gap Rd. Mall of Abilene Abilene, TX 79606 PH: 325-698-7565

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Mockingbird Branch

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Kids' Monthly Programs & Events

LEGO My Library Thursdays at 4:00PM

Have fun in the storyroom building with LEGO with your peers. Children under age 8 must be with an adult.

Super Storytime: Dr. Seuss!

Fri, Mar 1 at 11:00AM Kick off the month of Seuss fun with stories, songs, crafts and more.

Seuss Storytime! Sat, Mar 2 at 1:00PM

Saturday fun day celebrating Read Across America Day with Dr. Seuss readings and crafts for all ages.

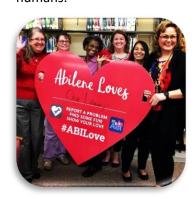
Science Make & Take: Weather

Vanes

Mon, Mar 4 at 4:30PM Learn the science behind weather and bring it to life making your own weather vane craft.

A Visit from Therapy Dogs!

Tues, Mar 12 at 3:30PM Meet some of Abilene's therapy dogs and learn about the service to humans.





ArtWalk: Pi Day Thurs, Mar 14 at 5:00PM

Join us for some quick craft making fun as we design our own buttons for Pi Day.

Family Flix: "The House with a Clock in Its Walls"

Sat, Mar 16 at 3:00PM

Free showing about a young orphan who is initiated into a world of magic and mayhem by his eccentric warlock uncle and a matronly witch. PG

Coding Club: Ozobots

Mon, Mar 18 at 4:30PM Come code with the Ozobots for ages 8 and up. Perfect for all skill levels, laptops provided.

Family Board Game Night

Thurs, Mar 21 at 6:00PM Play classic games in the library's foyer with staff, your family, and others.

Tween Tech: GIMP Mon, Mar 25 at 4:30PM Learn to use the open-source program GIMP for editing photos. For ages 8-15.

Weekly Storytimes

Toddler Time

Ages 2-3 Mondays at 10:45AM

Preschool Storytime

Ages 3-6 Tuesdays at 10:45AM

Toddler Time

Ages 2-3 Wednesdays at 10:45AM

Baby Steps

Ages 0-1 Thursdays at 10:15AM

Mother Goose on the Loose

Ages 0-3 Thursdays at 11:00AM

Parents are asked to stay with your child for all storytimes other than Preschool Storytime.



Mobile Labs @ Your Library

All programming utilizing laptops are made possible thanks to our Mobile Labs, available at all three branch locations. These laptops were purchased with funds from the Texas State Library and Archives Commission and the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services.

MAIN LIBRARY'S PROGRAMS & EVENTS CONTINUED | MARCH 2019

Adult Monthly Programs & Events

FOR TEENS ONLY

Tabletop TeensWednesdays at 4:30PM

Try out the new landscape of board and tabletop games as we'll dive into a host of fun ones with local teens every week.

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Evening with Classical Guitarist Peter Fletcher

Thurs, Mar 7 at 7:00PM
Enjoy the music of four
centuries during an evening
with New York based,
award-winning classical
guitarist Peter Fletcher.
Having headlined sold out
concerts at Carnegie Hall,
the community won't want



Action Origami Tues Mar 12 at 2:30PM

Tues, Mar 12 at 2:30PM
Perfect this Japanese art
of folding paper and
construct creations that
can move like jumping
frogs, flapping birds, and
more.

Crafty DIY: Card Making

Wed, Mar 13 at 10:00AM Attend this free workshop and learn how to make your own cards for the Spring as we gear up for weddings, graduations, Mother's Day, Father's Day, and more.

Embroidery Class

Thurs, Mar 14 at 2:30PM Review and practice some of the stitches we've covered in previous session, then learn a new stitch in April.

Cross-Stitch Basics

Thurs, Mar 14 at 6:30PM Limited to 12 people, as we have 12 complete kits with fabric, needle, floss, hoop, and simple patterns for you to get started in cross-stitching.

Genealogy Lock-In Fri, Mar 15 at 6:00PM

Get free reign of the library's genealogy department by attending this 2-hour lock-in. Staff and members of the West Texas Genealogy Association will be on hand to help you past any roadblocks. Don't miss this popular series.

Common Threads: Knitting & Crochet Club

Thurs, Mar 21 at 2:30PM Bring your projects and tools and gather together for socializing, sharing interesting techniques, and more about the world of yarn.

3D Design: Personalized Keychains

Thurs, Mar 21 at 4:30PM Learn to create a keychain and then use the 3D Printer to turn your sketch into something tangible. Both a teachable class & craft workshop.

Cover-to-Cover Book Club

Thurs, Mar. 21 at 7:00PM Join the library's book club and be a part of some lively discussion. This session we'll be discussing "Below Stairs" by Margaret Powell, the inspiration for Downton Abbey.

Know Your Rights: Consumer Debt Collection

Mon, Mar 25 at 6:30PM Local legal professionals will join us each month to cover a variety of legal situations. Know your rights by attending. Be sure to come with your questions and something to take notes on.



Crafty DIY: Wax Paper Candles

Wed, Mar 27 at 10:00AM
Adult crafters are invited
out for a fun workshop
where we'll take plain
candles and turn them
into works of art with wax
paper, markers, and a
blow dryer.

TECH Time

Tuesdays at 6:00PM
If you're having problems with your smartphone, tablet, or laptop, attend this free help session to see if library staff can resolve the issues.

Everyone's helped first-come, first-served.

Free Tax Assistance Wednesdays & Thursdays 10:00AM to 3:00PM

e-File your taxes with IRStrained volunteers with the AARP. Everyone is helped on a first-come, first-served basis. Have all of your 2018 tax materials ready when participating.



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Schedule a Tour @ Your Library

Did you know all three branch locations offer tours? Perfect for schools, private groups, local clubs, and more, you can call the location you're interested in touring and setup a time for your group to come.

Library staff can then teach your group about the library, our services, and even additional activities tailored just for your group.

Take advantage of this great service.

Kids' Monthly Programs & Events

Study Hall Sundays from 2-5PM

Use our new Mobile Lab to study for whatever you need. Available on a first-come, first-served basis. Great way to get that last minute homework done before Monday.

Family Fun: Seuss on the Loose

Mon, Mar 4 at 5:00PM Celebrate this wonderful author with stories, songs, and crafts that will be fun for the whole family.

LEGO Club Jr.

Tues, Mar 5 at 4:30PM
Meetup for LEGO building
fun. We'll supply the
LEGO, you bring the
creativity.

Family Flix: "The Nutcracker and the Four Realms" Sat, Mar 9 at 11:00AM

A young girl is transported into a magical world of gingerbread soldiers and an army of mice. PG.

Once Upon a Storytime

Sun, Mar 10 at 2:30PM Come dressed as your favorite character and meet our Special Guest for pictures and fun.

Make & Take: Mini-Windmills

Tues, Mar 12 at 4:30PM
Make your own personal windmill from simple items.

Stories in the Mall Sat, Mar 19 at 10:30AM Net to Dippin' Dots & Chick-fil-A

Enjoy stories, crafts, and activities inside the mall. Kids who attend will receive a free 3.5oz ice cream from Dippin' Dots.

Family Coloring Club

Wed, Mar 20 at 10:00AM Join us for coloring fun with activities for parents to share with their kids.

Literacy Storytime Fri, Mar 22 at 10:45AM

Don't miss a great storytime led by the Military Child Education Coalition with stories, crafts, and tons of fun.

Family Flix: "Mary Poppins Returns" Sat, Mar 12 at 11:00AM

Mary Poppins returns to the adult versions of the children she once helped to get their lives in order once again. PG.

Sunday Fun Day! Sun Mar 24 at 2:00PM Woman's Dillard's Courtyard

Join us at our new monthly program inside the mall of Abilene. This month, we will be hosting a Craft Extravaganza! There will be a variety of crafts for you to make and then take home. Make as many as you'd like. All materials will be provided.

Weekly Storytimes

Baby Steps

Ages 0-1 Mondays at 10:45AM

Lapsits

Ages 1-2 Tuesdays at 10:45AM

Preschool Storytime

Ages 3-6 Wednesdays at 10:45AM

Preschool Storytime

Ages 3-6 Wednesdays at 10:45AM

Music & Movement

All Ages Wednesdays at 4:30PM

Toddler Time

Ages 2-3 Thursdays at 10:45AM

Parents are asked to stay with your child for all storytimes other than Preschool Storytime.

SPRING BREAK STEAM MARCH 11-16 ALL DAY LONG

Celebrate Spring Break with STEAM activities and challenges! We'll have a different STEAM activity each day from open to close. Challenge yourself and explore the world around you with science, technology, engineering, art, and math.

Parents are encouraged to help out so families can explore together.

SOUTH BRANCH LIBRARY'S PROGRAMS & EVENTS | MARCH 2019

Adult Monthly Programs & Events

FOR TEENS ONLY

Study Hall Sundays from 2-5PM

Use our new Mobile Lab to study for whatever you need. Available on a first-come, first-served basis. Great way to get that last minute homework done before Monday.

Pokémon Meetup Sun, Mar 3 & 17 at 1:30PM

Join us for an afternoon of gaming fun!
Pokémon has something for everyone, so
come out and play at your library.
Instruction will also be available.

Teen LEGO Club Tues, Mar 5 at 4:30PM

Free build or make themed creations as we provide the pieces and platforms to let your creativity fly.

Adult Coloring Club Thurs, Mar 7 at 7:00PM

Adults are invited to a stress-free coloring day where we'll supply the materials, and refreshments, you just come, relax, and have fun.

Internet Basics Class Fri, Mar 8 at 10:30AM

Join us for our adult class covering Internet Basics. Learn the ins and outs on our new Mobile Lab laptops. Some basic computer skills are necessary. Registration is required and limited to 20. Call 325-698-7565 to get more information.

Saturday Matinee: "Instant Family"

Sat, Mar 9 at 2:00PM

A couple find themselves in over their heads when they foster three children. Without a clue as to how to parent, they'll discover that being perfect is not all that's needed to make a blended family a home. Rated PG-13

Computer Basics Class Mon, Mar 11 at 6:00PM

Join us for our adult class covering Computer Basics. Learn all the ins and outs on our new Mobile Lab laptops. Class is designed for people with no computer skills. Registration is limited to 20. Call 325-698-7565 to register.

Let's Talk About It: Women & Mental Health

Sat, Mar 16 & 30 at 11:00AM

Join Mental Health Clinician Cheryl Carpenter as she hosts discussions regarding health, wellness, stress relief, parenting, and a whole host of other issues affecting women today in a safe, judgment free atmosphere.

Family Coloring Club Wed, Mar 20 at 10:00AM

Join us for a morning of coloring fun for parents to share with their kids. Then, everyone's invited to stay for storytime.

Saturday Matinee: "Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes of Grindelwald"

Sat. Mar 23 at 2:00PM

Watch the second installment in the "Fantastic Beasts" series, created by Harry Potter author J.K. Rowling, featuring the adventures of Magizoologist Newt Scamander. PG-13.

Adventurous Book Club Fri, Mar 29 at 6:30PM Betty Rose's BBQ

Join us at Betty Rose's BBQ on Catclaw Drive for an after-hours book club featuring edgy books in all genres. Will you love it, or hate it? Come find out. This month's selection is the graphic novel "March: Book one" by John Lewis, detailing his early life, meeting Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the beginnings of the Civil Rights Movement.

TECH Time Mondays from 2-4PM

If you're having problems with your smartphone, tablet, or laptop, attend this free help session to see if library staff can

resolve the issues. Everyone's helped firstcome, first-served.

MOVIE SCHEDULE

Light refreshments served at each showing.

Family Flix

The Nutcracker and the Four Realms

Sat, Mar 9 at 11:00AM Rated PG | 99 min.

Saturday Matinee Instant Family

Sat, Mar 9 at 2:00PM Rated PG-13 | 131 min.

Family Flix

Mary Poppins Returns

Sat, Mar 23 at 11:00AM Rated PG | 130 min.

Family Flix

Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes of Grindelwald

Sat, Mar 23 at 2:00PM Rated PG-13 | 134 min.



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Kids' Monthly Programs & Events

Lecturas De Cuentos Sat, Mar 2 at 10:00AM

Enjoy a bilingual storytime where each session features a variety of children's books read in both English and Spanish.

Preschool Plus Crafts: DIY Water Jugs

Thurs, Mar 7 at 4:00PM

Spring is right around the corner. Come out and make a one-of-a-kind water jug with recyclable materials.

LEGO Galore Sat, Mar 9 & 23 at 10:30AM

Meetup for LEGO building fun. We'll supply the LEGO, you bring the creativity. Guests under age 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

Preschool Plus: Superheroes

Thurs, Mar. 14 at 4:00PM

Enjoy stories, crafts, and activities all about superheroes. Great Spring Break fun where you'll even get the chance to make your own superhero headband too.

Preschool Plus: Kangaroos and Koalas Too!

Thurs, Mar 28 @ 4:00PM

Pack your bags for a trip down under as kids will delight in learning about some of Australia's favorite marsupials.
Learn what they eat, how they sleep, and what their babies are called in this interactive storytime session for youth.

Weekly Storytimes

Play & Learn

Ages 1-3 Tuesdays at 10:00AM

Toddler Time

Ages 2-3 Tuesdays at 10:45AM

Rhythm & Rhyme

All Ages Fridays at 10:45AM

Parents are asked to stay with your child for all storytimes other than Preschool Storytime.

TECH Time

Mondays at 10:00AM

If you're having problems with your smartphone, tablet, or laptop, attend this free help session to see if library staff can resolve the issues.

Job Time: Application Assistance

Wednesdays at 2:00PM

Staff will be on hand to assist you in searching and applying for jobs online and sprucing up your resume if needed. Great for local job seekers.

Free Tax Assistance Fridays & Saturdays 10:00AM to 3:00PM

e-File your taxes with IRStrained volunteers with the AARP. Everyone is helped on a first-come, first-served basis. Have all of your 2018 tax materials ready when participating.

Tweens, Teens & Adult's Programs & Events

Mockingbird Chess Club

Tues, Mar 5 & 19 at 4PM

Tweens and teens are invited to participate in a fun club all about learning and playing chess. All skill levels are welcome and a limited number of chess sets will be made available.

STEAM Powered: Meet the Robots Mon, Mar 11 at 4:00PM

Youth, ages 8+, are invited out for an interactive event meeting the Ozobots at the library.

Take them out for a test spin as these gadgets are sure to be fun!

Afternoon Arcade Tues, Mar 12 at 4:00PM

Tweens and teens are invited out for an afternoon gaming session with friends. Enjoy snacks, the Wii, PS4 games, air hockey, and more.

Mockingbird Community Night

Tues, Mar 19 at 5:30PM
If you live near
Mockingbird Branch,
attend this free workshop

with reps from the police department and Connecting, Caring, Communities. The goal is to provide a safe, central, welcoming space for adults to get to know one another.

Let's Travel:

Caribbean Islands Tues, Mar 26 at 6:00PM

If you've thought about traveling, get tips & facts you need to know from local travel expert Susan Cottrell. She'll share her list of tricks when it comes to traveling to the Caribbean Islands.